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SUBJECT: THE SECRETARY'S MAY 24 MEETING WITH ECUADOREAN
FOREIGN MINISTER LUCIO PAREDES

REF: STATE 96618

1. CONFIRMING JUNE 26 CONVERSATION IN QUITO BETWEEN CHARGE
CHAPLIN AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH, FOLLOWING IS
MEMCON OF SUBJECT MEETING:

2. BEGIN TEXT: FOREIGN MINISTER LUCIO PAREDES ACCOMPANIED
BY ECUADORAN AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA BARRERA MET WITH THE
SECRETARY AFTERNOON OF MAY 24 IN BUENOS AIRES. ALSO
PRESENT WERE KUBISCH, INTERPRETER SEIDENMAN AND REPORTING
OFFICER TOWNSEND FRIEDMAN. MEETING FOCUSED ALMOST
EXCLUSIVELY ON FISHERIES ISSUE.

3. THE SECRETARY OPENED THE CONVERSATION BY STATING HIS
PLEASURE AT BEING ABLE TO MEET WITH THE MINISTER. HE SAID
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HE REGRETTED VERY MUCH NOT BEING ABLE TO VISIT ECUADOR ON

HIS CURRENT TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA. THOUGH THEIR CONVERSATION COULD NOT SUBSTITUTE ENTIRELY FOR SUCH A VISIT, HE HOPED THE MINISTER WOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THE PRESS OF TIME, AND NOTHING ELSE, WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR NOT INCLUDING ECUADOR ON THE ITINERARY. THE MINISTER STATED HE UNDERSTOOD THIS FULLY, AND HOPED THE SECRETARY WOULD BE ABLE TO STOP IN ECUADOR WHEN PRESIDENT NIXON MADE HIS EXPECTED TRIP TO THE CONTINENT.

4. THE SECRETARY OPINED THAT FISHERIES ISSUES ASIDE, US-ECUADOREAN RELATIONS WERE QUITE GOOD, AND HE HOPED THAT OUR DIFFERENCES IN THIS AREA COULD ALSO BE WORKED OUT. THE MINISTER REPLIED THAT RELATIONS WERE INDEED GOOD, FISHERIES EXCEPTED. AMBASSADOR BURNS, HE SAID, HAD BEEN MOST EFFECTIVE IN MAINTAINING GOOD RELATIONS WITH ECUADOR.

5. THE SECRETARY CONTINUED THE CONVERSATION ON THE FISHERIES ISSUE, STATING THAT THE USG COULD DO NOT

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